CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

BUDGET ADOPTION

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2010

CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL EAST

899 PARK AVENUE

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:00 P.M.

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC MEETING

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC BUDGET WORK SESSION

AGENDA

1. Call to Order – 6:00 p.m. – Convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws PL 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel; PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation (Contract Negotiations' Update – Food Service, Teacher Assistants/Bus Aides, Technical Assistants, Secretaries); Legal Advice Regarding Title IX.

- 2. Executive Session
- 3. Call to Order Public Session
- 4. Roll Call / Quorum
- 5. Executive Session Minutes Sealed February 22, 2010
- 6. Minutes of Previous Meetings Approved January 19, 2010 and

January 25, 2010

- 7. Public Acknowledgements / Communications
- 1. Auditor's Discussion of the Annual Financial Audit of the Cranston School District for Year Ended June 30, 2009
- 8. Chairperson's Communications
- 9. Superintendent's Communications
- 10. School Committee Member Communications
- 11. Public Hearing
- a. Students (Agenda/Non-agenda Matters)
- b. Members of the Public (Agenda Matters Only)
- 12. Consent Calendar / Consent Agenda

RESOLUTIONS

SPONSORED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER MS. IANNAZZI

NO. 10-02-12 – Whereas, the safety of students is of paramount concern to the Cranston School Committee; and

Whereas, constituents have brought forward concerns relating to speeding and traffic violations in school zones;

Be it RESOLVED, that the School Committee encourages the Mayor, City Council, and Members of the Cranston Legislative Delegation to look into increasing fines for traffic violations in school zones; and

Be it further RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent electronically to the Mayor, Members of the City Council, and Members of the Cranston Legislative Delegation.

SPONSORED BY THE ADMINISTRATION

NO. 10-02-13 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, a committee be formed consisting of two members of the School Committee, designated by the Chairman, two administrators, two parents (one CEAB and one SEPAB), Director of Student Information Services, Director of Plant Operations, and a designee of the Superintendent, to study the feasibility of redistricting school lines for all Cranston Schools for the possibility of consolidation of our schools for the 2011-2012 school year. This committee will report their findings back to the Superintendent on October 1, 2010.

ADMINISTRATION / PERSONNEL:

NO. 10-02-14 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified staff member be granted a leave of absence without compensation as provided in Article XIX, Section B.4 of the Master Agreement between the Cranston School Committee and the Cranston Teachers' Alliance:

Amy Vaage, Teacher CAC&TC

Effective Date...August 2010 to January 2012

NO. 10-02-15 - RESOLVED, whereas, there may be more qualified teachers who will apply for current positions, and a better fit for the district, and

Whereas, certain positions became available after the teacher selection of August 19, 2009 and more senior teachers may elect to occupy these positions under Article XVI of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, and

Whereas, there is the uncertainty of sufficient Federal, State, and local funding for general and categorical programs for the 2010-2011 school year, program reductions, consolidation of classes, re-alignment of staff and elimination of positions to more efficiently and effectively use the school system resources, and

Whereas, positions occupied by retirees must be posted each year,

Whereas, positions must now be made available for more senior teachers who are scheduled to return from leave, and

Whereas, the teacher does not have the required certification, and there may be more qualified individuals who will apply for these positions, and

Whereas, because of these concerns, and in accordance with Title 16 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, the Superintendent has recommended that the employment of certain teachers be terminated at the end of the 2009-2010 school year, and

Whereas, the Superintendent has sent prior notice to said teachers informing them of the specific reasons for their termination, and

Be it RESOLVED that said teachers be terminated at the close of the school year under provisions of Title 16 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island.

Be it further RESOLVED that the Superintendent notify those teachers of the School Committee's action to terminate their employment.

NO. 10-02-16 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation(s) of the following non-certified

personnel be accepted:

Ruth Moynihan, Manager
Food Service
Effective Date...February 22, 2010

BUSINESS:

NO. 10-02-17 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Cranston School Committee accepts the school district's 2008-2009 Financial Audit as presented in the Auditor's report of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the City of Cranston, Rhode Island for the year ended June 30, 2009.

NO. 10-02-18 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Cranston School Committee accepts the school district's 2008-2009 Federal Single Audit of the City of Cranston, Rhode Island for the year ended June 30, 2009.

TABLED RESOLUTIONS:

NO. 10-02-09 – RESOLVED, that the 2010-2011 Operating Budget, as recommended by the Superintendent, be approve as amended.

NO. 10-01-12 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the termination of Non-certified Personnel Employee

A be accepted:

- 13. Action Calendar / Action Agenda
- 14. New Business
- 15. Public Hearing on Non-agenda Items
- 16. Announcement of Future Meetings February 23rd, March 17th and March 22nd.

17. Adjournment

School Committee members who are unable to attend this meeting are asked to notify the Chairman in advance.

Interested persons and the public at large, upon advance notice, will be given a fair opportunity to be heard at said meeting on the items proposed on the Agenda.

Individuals requested interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Superintendent's Office at 270-8143 72 hours in advance of hearing date.

Any changes in the agenda pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(e) will be posted on the school district's web site at www.cpsed.net, Cranston Public Schools' administration building, 845 Park Ave., Cranston, RI; and Cranston City Hall, 869 Park Ave., Cranston, RI and will be electronically filed with the Secretary of State at least forty-eight hours (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

Notice Posted: February 18, 2010/Cranston Herald